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TOPIC Laerz Airfield

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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1. Two single-engine fighters, two biplanes, and 38 MIG-15s were seen at the Laerz (N 54/U 33) airfield on 21 and 22 February 1951. (1) All aircraft were parked on the edge of the landing field. Aircraft revetments were not seen. [redacted] parking sites were probably being prepared in the strip of woods in the southeastern corner of the field because trees were being cut. (2)

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2. [redacted] No fuel dump was seen. (3) Railroad tank cars on the spur track west of the field were filled into tank trucks. Only the guard detail and flight control personnel were quartered on the field. The troop quarters were located near the Ellerholz (N 54/U 33) railroad station and in the Rechlin (N 54/U 33) town sector.

3. There were boundary lights along the eastern flying lane. A radio installation, consisting of an earth bunker and a mast about 15 meters high, was about 600 meters from the eastern end of the runway. (4)

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Comments.

- (1) The number of MIG-15s observed does not indicate whether the airfield is occupied by one or two fighter regiments. It is believed that one regiment was transferred to Wittstock, but this requires confirmation.
- (2) It has not been determined whether camouflaged parking sites for aircraft are located outside the landing field.

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[redacted] a fuel dump is located in the southeastern corner of the landing field.

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[redacted] reported the presence of a radio installation.

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The radio installation is believed to be a landing beacon. Its distance from the beginning of the runway is unusually small. The landing beacon nearest to the airfield is generally 1,000 meters from the beginning of the runway.

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